

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Shuntaro ARATANI, et al.) : Examiner: Jason P. Salce
Application No.: 09/921,698) : Group Art Unit: 2623
Filed: August 6, 2001) : Confirmation No.: 8038
For: DATA PROCESSING APPARATUS,)
AND DATA PROCESSING METHOD) :
(As Amended)) : July 9, 2007

Mail Stop Issue Fee

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of a Notice of Allowance dated June 27, 2007, in the above-referenced application. The Issue Fee is due on or before September 27, 2007, and is being paid concurrently herewith.

Applicants respectfully traverse the Reasons for Allowance set forth in the June 27, 2007 Notice of Allowability on the grounds that whereas the Reasons refer to “units”, Claim 84 instead recites “steps” and Claim 92 instead recites “means”; also, whereas the Reasons refer to specific portions of Applicants’ specification, the claims are not limited to the foregoing or to the disclosed embodiments.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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